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NOTES IN SEASON.

THE sporting season is now opening, and books on field sports should be kept in stock or displayed on the counters. Base ball, cricket, rowing, hunting, fishing, and like manuals should be kept in varieties.

THE Harpers publish three fresh issues on Ik Walton's favorite sport: A new edition of Genio C. Scott's "Fishing in American Waters;" Chas. Hallock's capital "Fishing Tourist," and a forthcoming book by Rev. W. C. Prime, "I Go a-Fishing," a pleasantly written discursive book on this favorite recreation.

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THE Appletons publish this week Van Dorn's Suggestive Commentary on Romans, and a fresh volume of their Cooper. Next week will come the fourth volume of Deschanel's valuable Natural Philosophy, probably the timely book by Dr. Geo. E. Walton, M.D., on "The Mineral Springs of the United States and Canada," a complete manual of all the Mineral Spring Resorts in the United States and Canada, giving the best analysis of the waters and the diseases in which they are known to be beneficial—and some other books.

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MR. JOSEPH BIRD'S timely book on "Protection against Fire" is sent out this week by Hurd & Houghton. It is practical and exhaustive, the work of a man thoroughly posted on his subject, and deserves general attention. They also issue for the American Tract Society, Boston, a translation by Rev. Narcisse Cyr of D'Aubigne's pamphlet on "The Council of Infallibility;" "The Ministry We Need," by Rev. Dr. Seth Sweetser; and Mrs. Chaplin's juvenile, "Aunt Elsie's Posts."

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MR. SMALLEY writes to the *Tribune*, as to Minister Motley's new volume on the "Life and Death of John of Barneveld, including the History of the Primary Causes and Movements of the Thirty Years War": "The title shows how closely this is related to the other works in which Mr. Motley's reputation is built; and contains further the following quotation from the 'United Netherlands': 'There was at this moment (1585) one

Netherlander, the chief of the mission to Queen Elizabeth, already the foremost statesman of his country, whose name will not soon be effaced from the records of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. That man was John of Olden Barneveld.' And we are to have an octavo volume about him, and he will presently be better known to English-speaking people than he is, perhaps, to his Dutch countrymen."

The Uniform Trade List Annual.

OUR proposal of a fortnight since to issue a uniform trade list, in which should be bound together the catalogues of the several publishers, has already met with a very general response from the trade in all parts of the country. There seems to be a unanimous agreement that such a publication is not only desirable, but necessary; that it is impossible to conduct a book business to the extent and with the convenience that it should be carried on without some such help. The general endorsement of the plan set forth enables us to promise that only the prompt practical, as well as verbal aid of the publishers generally is needed to insure the issue of the volume. We shall communicate directly with them in due time.

These letters from the trade, some of which we are not permitted to publish, have contained several valuable suggestions as to the proposed plan, and we should be glad to hear of any others that may suggest themselves to the practical experience of the trade. It should be kept in mind that our purpose in undertaking the issue of this volume is purely the benefit of the trade, in pursuance of our general endeavor to make the office of the PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY a trade headquarters, at which anything to its benefit may be put in shape and carried out. We propose, therefore, that the charges connected with this enterprise shall be simply sufficient to cover cost and handling, either to publisher or dealer. It has been suggested from several quarters that free distribution of copies would lead to a considerable waste of material, and, moreover, that the cost of binding should be distributed among those who obtain copies. Both these modifications of our original plan seem to be just and wise, and we therefore propose to charge the nominal price of, say fifty cents each, if this proves sufficient to cover such expenses as binding. This (with the postage, which can be saved by having the volume sent as an enclosure) will be the whole expense of the work to the retailer, while the publisher will be asked simply to furnish sufficient copies of his list in uniform size of page, and to pay a nominal sum which shall be large enough to cover handling.

It is our desire to encourage the buying of books through the local dealers, and to do everything we can against the demoralization of the trade by allowing the same advantages to customers as to dealers. Except in the case of subscribers to the PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY, therefore, we shall refer all inquirers to their local dealers for copies of this volume. It will be to the advantage of both publishers and dealers to distribute the list among librarians and large buyers, and the local dealer can best judge whether it is wise to place it according to the application. We think this course will be entirely satisfactory to the trade, and do

its mite toward correcting the evils from which it now suffers.

As it is about time for the preparation of fresh catalogues by the educational publishers, we desire to call to their notice, prior to the general request which we shall shortly make to publishers, the above-mentioned plan, that they may, if they approve of the list proposed, make up their new catalogues in shape for the volume—the double-columned octavo in which the Harpers', Appletons', Lippincotts', and others' catalogues are now issued.

THE correspondent who makes query as to American bibliography is referred for answer to his first question to the full list of works in our number of Oct. 24, 1872, and for the rest to our numerous wails and lamentations that the American book trade is not willing to support bibliographers who are willing to do their part of the work for nothing.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE UNIFORM TRADE LIST ANNUAL.

DAYTON, O., May 6, 1873.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly.

WE are very much pleased with your idea of "A Trade List Annual," and sincerely hope you will be able to carry it out with the coöperation of all publishers. It will be a valuable aid to the trade. It is a matter of no little difficulty to keep ourselves supplied with the current lists of the publishers.

We wish in this connection to express our obligations to you for the efforts you make to promote the interests of the book trade.

Yours respectfully

JOHN H. THOMAS & CO.

BOSTON, May 6, 1873.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly:

I SHALL be happy to supply trade lists for the "Annual" suggested in your issue of the 3d inst., but would prefer to know the probable cost of binding, etc., before undertaking to be at further expense. Why not charge the cost of binding to each subscriber? If the book is worth anything it is worth that.

Please put me down for a copy in case it is issued.

Yours, &c.,

JOHN ALLYN.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7, 1873.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly:

YOUR suggestion for a "Trade List Annual" we heartily approve of, and trust all the publishers in the country will give it a trial, at least this year, and we are sure results will prove it to be beneficial for the whole trade, and insure its continuance in the future. The more complete the greater the benefit. Please send one copy—and

we can use more than one to good advantage—
and greatly oblige

Yours, &c.,

MATT. FOSTER & Co.

DETROIT, Mich., May 9, 1873.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly.

DEAR SIR: In the last PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY we notice your article on a "Trade List Annual," which we think a good one. Please add our house to your list of applicants.

Respectfully,

E. B. SMITH & Co.

An American Bibliography.

NEW YORK, May 6, 1873.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly:

I HAVE read your excellent WEEKLY, and I wish you great success in your literary enterprise. The WEEKLY certainly deserves success, and it is the fault of the trade if it does not receive it. You have had two or three editorials on the need of a general bibliography of American books, so now I would ask your attention to the following questions: 1. Is there at present any American bibliography published? 2. If one was compiled, do you think it would receive the support of the trade? 3. If needed, where could I obtain a list of publishers (to be used in connection with those that I obtain from my own resources) whose books would be generally needed for reference by the trade? By answering these inquiries in your next issue, with any suggestions you may wish to give, you will confer a great favor on

Yours truly,

H. B.

LITERARY AND TRADE NEWS.

J. B. LIPPINCOTT & Co., Philadelphia, have just published the "Life, Journal, and Letters of Henry Alford, D.D., late Dean of Canterbury," edited by his widow, 8vo, illustrated. The work is published here almost simultaneously with its appearance in England, and is issued by Lippincotts by arrangement with Rivingtons, the London publishers. Dean Alford is well known in this country for his celebrated Greek Testament, and in Episcopal circles, for his sermons and poetical writings. Educated first at Ilminster, and afterwards at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he had for friends and fellow-students young Arthur Hallam, Alfred Tennyson and his brother Charles, Dr. Merivale, the present Dean of Ely, and Dr. Trench, Archbishop of Dublin; elected later a Fellow of his college, in 1834 he was glad to accept the small living of Wymeswold, in Leicestershire, worth \$550 a year. Small as was this income, it enabled him to marry, an event he had been compelled to postpone on account of insufficient means; and here in the quiet little Leicestershire village, with an income barely large enough to supply the necessities of life, dwelt for eighteen years one of the most accomplished scholars of his age. In 1853 his friend, Dr. Merivale, presented him to a more lucrative living in London, and in 1859 Lord Palmerstone offered him the vacant Deanery of Canterbury, worth \$10,000 a year, which he accepted. The book, edited by the companion of his life, is a charming volume of biography, and being for the most part composed of the Dean's own journal and letters, gives a clear insight into his character. It is, as the London *Athenaeum*

says, in conclusion of an extended and very favorable notice, "an unaffected narration of the life of a good man."

THE "Treatise on Ship-Building: theoretical and practical" by Mr. Theo. D. Wilson, Assistant Naval Constructor, U. S. Navy; Instructor of Naval Construction, U. S. Naval Academy; Member of the Institute of Naval Architects, England, which John Wiley & Son issue, is a most valuable and important work. It is an octavo of 500 pages, with ten folding and twenty or thirty full-page maps.

A PLEASANT affair occurred at the Riverside Press, Cambridge, the last day of last month, which was the fiftieth birthday of Mayor H. O. Houghton, head of the firm. The firm had ordered the erection, at a cost of \$1,000, of a drinking fountain in the grounds of the building, for the benefit of their employees, and it was determined to hold a celebration on the occasion. Mr. Houghton, in his address, gave some interesting experiences of his past life, among them this: "At 13 years of age, he entered a Burlington, Vt., printing-office—working long, old fashioned days, and studying nights. It was during this time that one day a little pale-faced man came into the office, and handing him a printed slip, said, 'My lad, when you use these words, spell them as here, theater, center,' etc. It was Noah Webster, travelling on foot and visiting country printing-offices to persuade people to spell as he did. The apprentice little thought at that time that he should ever be head of an establishment which would manufacture a thousand tons of Webster's Dictionary." Mr. L. A. Whittier, in behalf of the employees, made an address of thanks. Wm. Lloyd Garrison, who said he "had set type enough to form a typographic railroad from here to Liverpool," spoke as a fellow-craftsman. There were other addresses, and at the close an exhibition of the perfection of the arrangements about the establishment was given. "Close upon the last words came a mimic fire alarm from the steam whistle, and in seventy seconds the Riverside Fire brigade had left the yard, uncoupled the hose on the lower floor, carried it through four stories to the roof, coupled it there, and had two streams playing upon the cornice." The affair was a pleasant one throughout, testifying to the model relations between the proprietors and the employees of this well-known press.

CLIFFE LESLIE is preparing for the press a work entitled, "The Two Sexes in English Legal and Economic History."

Two important biographical books are announced by Roberts Brothers: Mrs. Somerville's *Life and Letters*, and Drummond's *Life of Erasmus*.

AN important original work on the ear, by one of the leading aurists and oculists of New York, D. B. St. John Roosa, M.D., will be issued by Wm. Wood & Co. next month.

BENSON J. LOSSING has prepared for the Putnam's "A Smaller History of England," an abridgement of the larger work which was so well received.

THE Executive Committee of the Harvard Boat Club has at last issued the long-promised treatise on the principles of rowing at Harvard, which is at the same time a manual for rowing clubs generally. Mr. Dana, of '74, captain of the University crew, is understood to have done most of the compilation.

THE first volume of Librarian Sibley's "Harvard Graduates," including all from 1642 to 1658,

will be issued next month and will be delivered to subscribers at or before Commencement. The edition is limited to 500 copies at \$5. The small classes of these seventeen years make a book of more than 600 pages, with an appendix crammed with matters of curiosity and a preface, which the author has just concluded, and which gives the history of his work and explains what he hopes to do in future.

THE International Congress of Orientalists has announced a special meeting, or rather a series of meetings, to be held in Paris, in July next, of persons interested in the study of the Japanese language and literature.

JOAQUIN MILLER's new volume, "Songs of the Sun-lands," is already published in London. It contains "The Isles of the Amazons," and many other shorter poems.

By arrangement with Chapman & Hall, a Welsh translation of Dickens is being made.

HIS ex-Majesty Amadeus is said to be writing a history of his reign in Spain.

MR. LEWES' new philosophical work is on "Problems of Life and Mind."

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN is to take a trip to Italy in company with the poet Boegh.

MRS. MACQUOID, the author of "Patty," has in press a new novel, called "A Study of a Girl's Heart."

REV. ANDREW P. PEABODY, D.D., of Harvard College, has prepared a treatise on moral philosophy, which will shortly be issued, and is likely to be adopted as the text-book in the college.

FITZJAMES STEPHENS.—The London correspondent of the *Nation* devotes the greater part of his last letter (*Nation*, May 8) to the essays on "Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity," which Mr. Fitzjames Stephens has been publishing in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and which Messrs. Holt and Williams are to reprint here. The *Spectator* and the *Nation* itself have said words of praise not less glowing than this correspondent.

THE ninth edition of the "Encyclopædia Britannica" is at last definitely announced by the Messrs. A. & C. Black, of Edinburgh, its proprietors. In expectation of this, the eighth edition has been selling for some time at \$75 instead of \$115. Mr. Thomas Spencer Baynes, Professor of Literature, Logic, and Metaphysics in the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, is to be the editor. He is author of an essay on "The New Analytic and Logical Forms," and translator of the *Post Royal Logic*, and is said to have been selected because of his late brilliant contributions to the *Edinburgh Review*.

THE American Antiquarian Society has in preparation for publication a new edition of Thomas's "History of Printing in America," edited by Mr. Haven, the Librarian of the Society, and to be printed by Joel Munsell, of Albany.

THE Indianapolis public library, opened recently, has been organized and the books selected by Mr. William F. Poole, formerly of the Boston Athenæum, and is in charge of Mr. Charles T. Evans, lately the popular assistant librarian of the Athenæum. The Indianapolis library is open in all departments on Sundays.

THE opening of the libraries on Sundays affects each variously according to its clientele. At the Cooper Institute Free Reading-room the attendance numbers half as many again as on week days, being at the rate of 1,000 for the seven hours it is

open on Sunday, while it is not more than 1,200 to 1,500 for the fourteen hours of other days. A large part of these are Germans. The Mercantile Library, on the contrary, has had a far less attendance; the attendance has never yet exceeded 200, and averages but about 100. Even these are not the young men whom it was hoped to keep out of harm's way, but staid gentlemen of middle age.

AN important book will shortly be published from Sir Henry Rawlinson, a series of papers on the politics and geography of Central Asia, under the title of "England and Russia in the East."

AN observer of the book trade estimates that (exclusive of the purulent sensational, of which more than enough are printed and reprinted) of the novels issued by New York houses during the late years, not more than 20 per cent. have been the work of American authors. The relative proportions in every one hundred imprinted are set down at:

Reprints from English authors.....	50
Reprints from standards, having a steady sale from season to season.....	25
By American authors.....	20
Translations.....	5

We give the estimate without indorsing it.

THE Presbyterian Publication House in Philadelphia is now established in its large and handsome new building on Chestnut st., No. 1334. It has a front of forty-four feet on Chestnut street, and runs back two hundred and thirty-five feet to Sansom street. It is four stories high, besides the basement. Its Chestnut street front, built of granite brought from quarries in New Hampshire, and adorned with columns of colored and polished granite from Aberdeen, Scotland, is greatly admired for its architectural beauty. The architect is Mr. John McArthur, Jr. The basement is fire-proof, and will be used mainly for the storage of stereotype plates and printed sheets. The entire first floor is occupied by the book store; the front by the retail, and the rear by the wholesale department. In the second story, at the Sansom street end, is a large, handsome, and well-lighted assembly room, around the walls of which is arranged the valuable library of the Board of Publication. The rooms of the upper stories are some of them rented out for business purposes, some of them used for the storage of stock. The building has cost about \$140,000. It is an ornament to the city of Philadelphia and a credit to the enterprise of the body to which it belongs. The Board now has a list of over two thousand publications, large and small. It also publishes three periodicals, *The Presbyterian Monthly Record*, *The Presbyterian at Work*, a paper for laymen and Sabbath-school workers, and *The Sabbath School Visitor*, an illustrated paper for little readers.

THE third volume of the census report, now being published, will relate largely to the products of manufacturing industry. The Superintendent has found it necessary to explain the considerable deficiencies which will be noticed in it, as compared with the occupation tables of the previous volume. These tables purport to exhibit the production of every mill, factory, and shop in the United States in which any mechanical industry is carried on to the extent of producing the value of \$500 per annum, but no "prior schedules" were authorized for obtaining this information, and the various obstacles of obtaining the information by direct question have been such that of 344,596 carpenters in the table of occupations but 67,864 are accounted for in the tables of manufactures; of 141,774 blacksmiths, 52,982; of 85,123 painters,

10,964; and of 41,789 coopers, 23,314. It having been found, in former censuses, that the tables of occupations exceed the manufactures eleven per cent., by allowing that rate of excess, it will be seen that 269,267 carpenters, 72,964 blacksmiths, 32,953 painters, and 15,911 coopers are unaccounted for.

THE Rev. Lemuel Moss, D.D., has been appointed by the Baptist Publication Society to edit a history of the Baptist denomination for the century past.

JOURNALISTIC.

After Dinner is a new weekly of a literary character which made its first appearance in Boston under date of May 3d. General John L. Swift and Capt. W. T. W. Ball are the editors and proprietors.

The New York State Educational Journal is a new monthly published by O. R. Bulchard, Buffalo, at \$1.50 per annum.

The Canadian Patent Office Record and Mechanic's Magazine is the title of a new monthly journal published by Geo. E. Desbarats, Montreal, at \$1.50 per annum.

THE *Chicago Illustrated Journal* will be published hereafter by Knight & Leonard, who succeed the old firm of Horton & Leonard. It is considerably enlarged in size.

The Sunday Dawn is a new weekly family journal, containing stories, sketches, poetry, etc., published by McGinnis, Steinbeck & Co., New Orleans, at \$2 per annum.

E. C. STEDMAN, so well known for his own poems, is writing some effective criticisms upon other poets for *Scribner's Monthly*. Landor was discussed in May, and Tennyson, Mrs. Browning, Browning, Hood, Proctor, Swinburne, and "The New School" are to follow.

OBITUARY.

* JOHN STUART MILL, the eminent author and political economist, died, May 9, at Avignon, in Southern France, nearly 67 years of age. Mr. Mill became an author at a very early age. His first publications consisted of articles in *The Westminster Review*, and in 1827 he edited Bentham's work entitled "Rationale of Judicial Evidence." In 1843 he published the work which was the foundation of his reputation, "A System of Logic;" in 1844, "Essays upon some Unsettled Questions in Political Economy;" in 1848, a more popular work, entitled "The Principles of Political Economy and Some of their Applications to Social Philosophy," and more recently, "The Essay on Liberty," dedicated to the memory of his wife; "An Examination of Sir Wm. Hamilton's Philosophy" (1865), and "An Essay on the Subjection of Woman." He married Miss Harriet Taylor, a lady of rare intellectual power, in 1850, and the tribute which he pays to her memory in the dedication referred to is ample evidence of the assistance she was to him during her life.

WILLIAM WHITE, publisher of the *Banner of Light*, and numerous works on spiritualism, died, April 28, in Boston.

JOHN R. THOMPSON, formerly editor of the *Southern Literary Messenger*, and more recently connected with the *Evening Post*, died, April 30, in New York.

HON. JAS. BROOKS, the founder of the *New York Evening Express*, died at Washington, April 30, in his 63d year.

DR. JOSIAH CLARK NOTT died on the morning of his 69th birthday, March 31, at Mobile. In addition to the scientific works produced by him in conjunction with Mr. George R. Gliddon—"Types of Mankind" and "Indigenous Races of the Earth"—Dr. Nott published "Lectures on the Connection between the Biblical and Physical History of Man" (1849) and "Physical History of the Jewish Race" (1850). He wrote extensively for scientific and other periodicals; notable among which are the *American Journal of Medical Science*, *Charleston Medical Journal*, *De Bow's Review*, and the *Southern Review*. He was a native of South Carolina.

REV. JOEL PARKER, D.D., the distinguished Presbyterian divine, and author of numerous works, died in New York, May 2, in his 74th year.

BARON JUSTUS VON LIEBIG, the great chemist, died in Munich, April 18, lacking but a few days of 70 years of age.

M. ST. MARC-GIRARDIN, the celebrated French professor, author, statesman, and member of the French Academy, died in Paris, April 12, in his 73d year.

JOSEPH DUPREY, junior partner of the prominent Catholic publishing firm of Gaume freres & Duprey, one of the most intelligent and active members of the French book trade, died March 30, in his 54th year.

R. LAMBRUSCHINI, the distinguished Italian scholar and author, Ex-President of the *Accademia della Crusca*, died March 9, aged 85 years.

ELISE CAMPE, widow of the Hamburg bookseller, August Campe, a woman, of great culture and author of several biographies, died in Hamburg, in her 87th year.

ADOLF ENKE, head of the prominent publishing firm, of Palm & Enke, Erlangen, died March 11, in his 51st year.

LUDWIG GIESEBRECHT, the distinguished German poet and historian, died March 18, in his 81st year.

The New Postal Law.

THE postal appropriation bill approved March 3, 1873, contained the following clause:

"Provided, that all laws and parts of laws permitting the transmission by mail of any free matter whatever he and the same are hereby repealed from and after June 30, 1873."

This abolishes the franking privilege held by Congress and so many government officers.

This also abolishes section 35 of the act of March 3, 1863: "But the publishers of weekly newspapers may send to each actual subscriber within the county where their papers are printed and published one copy thereof free of postage," and requires that after June 30th all papers must pay postage.

This abolishes section 45 of the same act: "All publishers or periodicals, magazines and newspapers which shall not exceed sixteen ounces in weight shall be allowed to interchange their publications reciprocally free of postage; provided, that such interchange shall be confined to a single copy of such publication."

The laws remain unchanged which permit prepayment of postage on newspapers at the office of

mailing or delivery, at the option of the subscriber, and prepayment by newsdealers "upon their packages as received."

No reduction of postage rates has been made. Farnsworth's bill, which allowed papers to go free to county subscribers, and exchanges to go free, passed the House and failed in the Senate.

Postal Regularity.

From the Financier.

THE principle that everything sent by mail shall be paid for is a sound one; everything worth anybody's while to receive is worth paying for, and we are therefore both ready and willing to pay 5 and 30 cents per quarter for our weekly and daily exchanges respectively, after the 30th of June next. But as newspapers will owe the post-office for nothing after that date, a little—or even a great deal—more regularity in the transmission of exchanges will then be very proper. Why our daily exchanges should come in lots, three or four successive numbers at the same time; why they should come sometimes in three days and sometimes in six; why they should intermit sometimes for a few days or weeks; why we should receive papers addressed to other newspapers, and why they should be receiving ours—all these are questions which we shall have a right to propound, as soon as we begin to pay postage. Mr. Creswell cannot do a better service, either to the public or to his own reputation, than to awaken from his dream of postal telegraphy and try to improve the efficiency of his department in what it is expected to do.

A Dinner at Delmonico's.

From the New York Sun.

RECENTLY Mr. W. M. Soper, superintendent of Appleton's educational department while walking up Broadway was accosted by a modestly dressed young man, who cordially grasped his hands, saying,

"I am exceedingly glad you have arrived. Of course you received our telegram, and are here in response to it. I am delighted to see you, I assure you. The store is closed for the day, but you must come around early in the morning and we will fix up matters in a very short time, and you can return to Kentucky a richer and a happier man."

Mr. Soper here suggested that this might be a case of mistaken identity.

"Impossible," said the young man blandly. "Your name is Barlow, Henry Barlow, of Louisville, isn't it?"

Mr. Soper politely replied in the negative and the stranger overwhelmed him with apologies, adding that Mr. Soper's resemblance to "Mr. Barlow" was so remarkable that he should esteem it a great favor if he might be permitted to mention it to the real Mr. Barlow, who was hourly expected on important business. Therefore, as an act of kindness, would he give him his name? Mr. Soper, suspecting something wrong, gave him the address of G. B. Damon of Kansas City.

Mr. Soper resumed his walk up Broadway, but before he reached his hotel his hand was seized by another young gentleman whose garb and manner were such as to inspire confidence. "My dear Mr. Damon, how do you do? This is indeed a pleasant surprise. How did you leave our good friends in Kansas City? When did you arrive, and how long do you remain? Where are you stopping?"

Mr. Soper "saw it" at once, and viewing the fun which he saw ahead as racier than that which he might find in a theater, he politely replied that he could not remember where he had seen the young gentleman, but that his face was familiar. "Is it possible, Mr. Damon, that you do not recollect me? My name is Hammond. I am a clerk in the Kansas City Post Office. I have handed you your letters morning after morning for more than a year."

"Now that I look at you again," returned Mr. Soper, "I remember you perfectly, and I am only too glad to meet some one from home. I am very glad to see you Mr. Hammond, very glad," and he cordially extended his hand to greet with greater warmth his fellow-citizen who took such a kindly interest in him.

Mr. Hammond here inquired whether Mr. Damon had dined. Mr. Damon had not. Would he go to Delmonico's and honor him with his presence at dinner? And to Delmonico's they went. At the close of the feast Mr. Hammond paid the bill, whose items are as follows:

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One pint Claret, pontet canet.....	2 00
Plum Pudding, glacée.....	1 00
French Coffee.....	50
Havana Cigars.....	50
Total.....	\$18 20

As Messrs. Soper and Hammond were stepping out to the Fourteenth street sidewalk, Mr. Soper took Mr. Hammond's hand, saying:

"Mr. Hammond, I am delighted to have met you, and I am glad you recognize me, and am pleased that I know you. You must visit me in my own house as soon as we get back to Kansas City. I shall be proud to introduce so elegant a gentleman to my family and friends. I am gratified to meet you for another reason than that we are citizens of the same place. In examining my funds this morning I find that I am short. I don't think I have enough to pay my hotel bill here and my fare home. Mr. Hammond, you know who I am, and I shall be very much gratified if you can do me the kindness to lend me \$100 until we reach home, when I shall make it my immediate duty and pleasure to call at the *Post Office* and refund you the amount."

Mr. Hammond vanished, uttering the single monosyllable, "Sold!"

The German Novel.

SPIELHAGEN.

From St. Paul's, reprinted in Ev. Saturday, Ap. 19.

IN strongest contrast to all this, stands out the better description of German novel. It does not aim at respectability. It has no thought of pandering to the spirit of conventionalism. It is independent. It lives and moves in a higher atmosphere of its own. To be the mere reflection of popular prejudice or prudery—the creature of the limited and the artificial—it holds far beneath its dignity. The eternal passions of the human heart—the inexorable facts of fate and circumstance—these it describes grandly and impartially, neither

revealing in the more pitiful aspects of humanity, childishly seeking to conceal their nakedness beneath the flimsy veil of an over-dainty phraseology. It is moral, not because it rigidly excludes all mention of immorality, but because it aims with conscientious objectivity at delineating the True and Real, wherever found. It is not weak and prudish; keeping its hands before its eyes, lest it should see somewhat to shock its modesty. On the contrary, it is manly, self-reliant, ready to face any fact however hard, and grapple with every phase of suffering humanity; for it knows that vice and virtue are notes equally wrung from the human heart by the hand of circumstance, and that he who would worship art, or understand his fellows, must study both alike with equal diligence.

Of this objectivity in its grandest development there is perhaps no better example than Spielhagen. True, it is not given to him as it was to Shakespeare and to Goethe, to sit on a mountain summit and look down serene on the ferment of human passion and the turmoil of human intercourse. Such natures need centuries to produce. But still it is wonderful to notice with what breadth of sympathy Spielhagen, standing just outside the throng of men, chooses his types of character, and bids them play their several parts on the stage of his romance. Bitter against one class alone—the wretched Junkers, who in virtue of a stall-fed courage have arrogated to themselves from time immemorial a position which would be ludicrous if it were not so pernicious to the best interests of Germany—Spielhagen describes all other classes with a grand and natural impartiality. Nay, in the Graf Oldenburg who plays so important a part in his "Problematische Naturen," he has, with a spirit of fairness which reflects the utmost credit on his character, striven to show that even in the class of the selfish, sensual, and silly German aristocracy it is possible for a great heart to beat and a noble nature to energize.

I know no modern author who has laid human nature so universally under contribution, and with such uniform success, as Spielhagen. His canvas is crowded with figures all true to nature, but all more or less typical. The inheritor of ancestral imbecility, whose talk is of dogs and horses, and whose virtue consists in a constant readiness to stake his own valueless, against some fellow-creature's valuable life—the professor whose seething brain boils over at last in a madness replete with strange and startling wisdom—the young girl who, possessed of physical desire, tempts to a love whose fruit is bitterness of sorrow—the beauteous matron who, also loving, sheds the charm of holy self-denial over an intercourse that else had passed the bounds of friendship—above all, the poor, perplexed nature, which, full of noble impulses and lofty aspirations, is yet the thrall of self and indecision—these are but a few of the characters which, drawn with realistic hand, yet reveal to us an idealist who aims at something higher than the reproduction of mere externalism, who is ever conscious of the mystery of life and the surpassing interest of psychological development.

That Spielhagen has many faults it is impossible to gainsay. His novels are too long and too loosely put together. In this respect he might learn much from his English rivals. In spite of the flowing beauty of his style, they leave an impression of clumsiness and want of finish. His genius is in fact too robust and imperious to descend to petty technicalities. He pursues an ideal with gigantic strides, but without much attention to grace of movement. But in spite of

these and other faults, he contests at this moment the literary supremacy of Germany with Auerbach and Freytag, and in many important qualities is superior to either.

Odd Slips.

A SAN FRANCISCO friend writes: "Something too good to pass without mention in the PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY occurred with us a few days since, when one of our entry clerks—most assuredly not one of our craft—charged 'Don Quixote' on a bill as 'Donkey Hoty,' his rendering, doubtless, of the learned pronunciation. It is needless to mention the merriment that ensued upon showing around this learnedly illiterate blunder."

"O MOTES, and beams and eyes," cries the alert *Watchman*, when it finds the *Atlantic* criticizing the style of Underwood's "Hand-Book of English Literature," as "magaziney and newspaper." This is a *Nation*-al difficulty, as well.

POOR Mark Twain! A Russian critic has been confounding him with Taine. We fear Mark and Henri both will confound the Russian critic.

THREE applications have been received at the office of *Old and New*, forwarded from "Box 1-2, New York City," for circulars with prices of the styles of Patent Men made by Budlong & Faber, as per advertisement in the March number of *Old and New*.

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A LIBRARIAN arranging his books according to their subject matter, put "Irish Bulls" under the head of agricultural.

THERE are rumors that "memorandum books" are to be excluded from the articles of stationery supplied Congress, on account of the unlooked-for expense that one of them has already cost the nation.

A FRENCH translation of Bret Harte's writings has been made, with the idiomatic expressions done into Bret-on dialect.

THE *Needle* is the name of a new paper in New York; it has point, a "single eye" for sharp things, and generally keeps the thread of its thoughts.—*Watchman*.

THE *Needle* is the title of a new monthly proposed in New York. The publisher should have his eye teeth cut, and be sharp enough to establish firm basis for his enterprise. The pages should be filled with pointed articles.—*Transcript*.

COMMENT is needless, but we may be pardoned for suggesting that the proprietor will require a golden thimble in order to push it successfully.—*Advertiser*.

YES, and the proprietor should be careful that *The Needle* never becomes a common sewer.—*Com. Bull*.

A SAGACIOUS German writer, complaining of the difficulties in the pronunciation of the English language, cites the word *Boz* which, he says, is pronounced Dickens.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

RICHMOND, VA.—Norman V. Randolph has been admitted as partner in the firm of J. W. Randolph & English, the style of which will remain unchanged.

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